## FOUR OAKS METHODIST CHURCH

**'We seek to be a beacon** for Christ –

Radiating the love of God through Worship, Word and Witness' <u>Notices for the week commencing</u>

Sunday 3rd November



Grant to those who seek you, O Lord, the gift of your kingdom, the comfort of your grace and the vision of your glory.

Book of Common Order (1562)

The floodlighting for the month of November is sponsored by Peter & Andrée Johansen, in loving memory of Sverre and Synnove Johansen, and John Keogh.

Sunday, 3rd November	
10.30am	Rev Nick Jones—Holy Communion The Service will be held in the Large Hall.
Flowers:	This week's flowers are sponsored by Angela & Glyn Constantine. To celebrate their Wedding Anniversary.
Coffee:	After the service this morning Carolyn & Bill Humpherson will be serving refreshments in the Large Hall. Please stay and join us.
Midweek Service: Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> November	
10.30am	Mr Tom Watts
Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> November	
10.30am	Local Arrangement - Remembrance Service
Coffee:	Ladies Friendship Club

#### **Mary Cates**

The funeral arrangements for Mary are as follows:

Tuesday 19 November. 12.30pm service at Four Oaks Methodist Church to celebrate Mary's life.

All are warmly invited to join family and friends for a buffet lunch reception at Moor Hall hotel straight after the service.

Thank you to everyone for your kind messages and cards at this time. Anne.

#### Presentation on Nkanfoa

I realise some of you may not know much about Nkanfoa, a village in Ghana for which we raise funds, mainly by lunches in our home so now there is an opportunity. On Tuesday November 12th there will be a presentation at 2pm at Erdington Methodist Church about our connection with this village and why the charity was formed to which anyone is welcome so, if free, do come along and learn all about it. Diana Bosman.

#### Nkanfoa Meal - Sunday November 10th

Surprisingly there is still some room if anyone wishes to come to the Roast Beef lunch on Sunday November 10th. Arrival from 12.30pm with the meal starting between 1.15- 1.30pm as I'm returning from St. Chad's. Donations for Nkanfoa Methodist School and Church Aid should be in an envelope, with your name if Gift Aided. All donations go directly to the charity with no expenses taken. Contact via 01213082251 or <u>bosmandiana@gmail.com</u>



## Retiring Collections for the month of November will be donated to:

3rd November - Benevolent Fund.10th, 17th and 24th November - ChristmasDay meals in the community.

#### Saturday Morning Drop in

This Saturday, 2nd November, was promoted as a "Punjabi breakfast." Due to circumstances this will now be a regular morning with Peter cooking mini breakfasts and toast. See you there?

#### The Messenger

The messenger is available for collection for Pastoral Visitors from outside the church office. Please leave completed forms confirming the number of copies needed the box. Thanks.

#### **Advent Services**

To be held in the Church Sanctuary, unless severe cold weather.

1st December, 10.30am Toy Service.

A request for new and nearly new toys to include sensory, vision friendly and accessibility toys to be shared between BCM and the Kadoma Methodist District in Zimbabwe to which Birmingham District is twinned.

8th December, 10.30am. Deacon Jenny Parnell.

15th December, 10.30am. Carol Service inc. the Chamber Choir.

## 21st December, 4.30pm. Community Outdoor Event -

Carols Round the Firepit, Our Choir singing, hot potatoes, mulled drink and hot chocolate.

**22nd December, 10.30am**. Communion Service & Baptism. Blackwood Church joining with us.

**24th December, 6pm.** Circuit Christmas Eve Service with HC **25th December, 10am**. Christmas Day Service.

29th December, 10.30am. 29th December, 10am at Blackwood Church B74 3PL

## Winter changeover into the Large Hall

From Now until Sunday 24th November and from Sunday

5th January 2025 to Sunday 23rd March, all 10.30am services will take place in the Large Hall.

## Christmas Day Meals for the Circuit

For 2025, we are looking for someone that would be willing to cook and lead a team of helpers, to prepare and distribute the meals. Either someone within our Church or Circuit, with catering qualifications and organisation skills.

### Four Oaks Christmas Party

This will be held on Wednesday 11th December at 12 noon.

A time to share fellowship and enjoy a taste of Christmas!!

We will be having turkey and ham baps with trimmings and Christmas pudding.

Please book in with Sue Hayden on 0121 308 3881 or the Church Office.

### Love in a Box

Nick Jones will be blessing the shoe boxes this Sunday 3rd November before they are collected the following week to begin their journey to Moldova.

## **Weekly Activities**

- Monday 2.00 pm Monday Fellowship Group
  - 4.45 pm Rainbows term time
    - 6.00 pm Brownies term time
    - 7.00 pm Cubs term time
    - 7.30 pm Guides term time
- Tuesday 1.00 pm Luncheon Club 26<sup>th</sup> November
  - 6.00 pm Beavers term time
  - 7.30 pm Ladies Friendship Club
- Thursday 9.30 am Baby & Toddlers
  - 7.30 pm Scouts term time
- Friday 8.00 pm FOCUS Explorer Scouts
- Saturday 10.00 am Saturday Morning Drop In

— Table Tennis

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